

Minutes of George E. Wahlen Ogden Veterans' Home Advisory Board Meeting 9-17-15

Meeting was called to order at 1500 hours by Bob Jones, the Advisory Board Chair.

Bob Jones, Chair
Jim Kopecky, Vice Chair
Susan Thornock
Bob Ramos
Frank Maughan
Norm Nelson
Donelle Rickets
Dennis Howland
Ray Briggs, Resident Council Representative
Gary Harter, Executive Director, UDVMA
Kim Wixon, Director GEWOVH, State Officer
Pete Zeigler, Avalon Representative

Excused
Judy Lemmons
Jan Zogmaister
Dennis McFall, Deputy Director, UDVMA

Welcome and Introduction

Bob Jones welcomed everyone to the Advisory Board Meeting at 1500 hours.

Election of Chair and Vice Chair

Bob Jones was reelected as Chair and Jim Kopecky was reelected as Vice Chair. This is the last time they will be able to serve in these positions.

State Officer's Report:

Kim briefed on the status of projects currently in process at the OVH.

1. Piano in Lobby. We are purchasing a new piano for the MPR so the player piano can be moved to the lobby.
2. A team is working on the design for the MPR remodel. Additional space will be available for moving the vending machines out of the MPR and into an alcove accessed from the hallway. The estimated cost is \$100,000. We hope to have drawings by the next meeting.
3. CMS has reevaluated the life safety code for delayed egress doors which is causing all four of the SVH to replace the door opening systems on all exterior doors.
4. Veterans' Day ceremony is planned for Nov 6.
5. Kim briefed an update on evaluating certain veterans status for eligibility to be in the veterans home.
6. Next month nominations are needed for the Distinguished Veterans Wall.
7. Kim announced that Avalon had been awarded the contract for the next 5 years to operate the GEWOVH.

Avalon Report:

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Pete Ziegler briefed on the operational status of the home.
Pete passed out customer satisfaction reports

An interior design program from WSU made the GEWOVH their senior project for school.

114 of 120 residents
Waiting list for Skilled Nursing Care – 142
Waiting list for Memory Care - 23

Total employees – 231
Veterans – 9, family members of veterans 14

Old Business

None

New Business

Next Meeting: Oct 15

Future Meetings: Nov 19, Jan 21, Feb 18, Mar 17, Apr 21, May 27

Executive Committee Meeting

May 22 and April 16, 2015 minutes were approved.

Kim briefed the financial report.

OPEN DISCUSSION

The meeting was adjourned at 1625.